

BNSF Railroad Initial Draft Diesel PM Mitigation Plan for the Barstow Railyard

California Environmental Protection Agency



Air Resources Board

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Overview of Meeting

- ARB

- Background on the BNSF Barstow railyard health risk assessment
- Process for the development of draft railyard mitigation plans
- Explain existing locomotive and railyard regulations and agreements

- BNSF

- Present initial draft railyard mitigation plan for BNSF Barstow railyard
- Discuss next steps to identify and discuss additional mitigation measures

- Community members encouraged to discuss and provide comments

Background

- This effort is part of our commitment to address pollution impacts on communities
 - ARB Goods Movement Plan
 - Reduce risks by at least 85 percent by 2020
 - ARB/UP/BNSF Railroad Agreement
 - Reduce exposure to toxic diesel PM as quickly as possible
- Railyard health risk assessments
 - 18 railyard health risk assessments finalized by July 2008

Railyard Mitigation Plan Process

- Railroads prepare initial draft railyard mitigation plans
 - Pursuant to the 2005 Agreement
- ARB provides technical review of draft plans
 - No ARB endorsement or approval of the draft plans
- Public meeting to discuss the draft plans and additional mitigation measures
- Revise the plans based on public comments
- BNSF finalizes the plans

Existing Control Measures

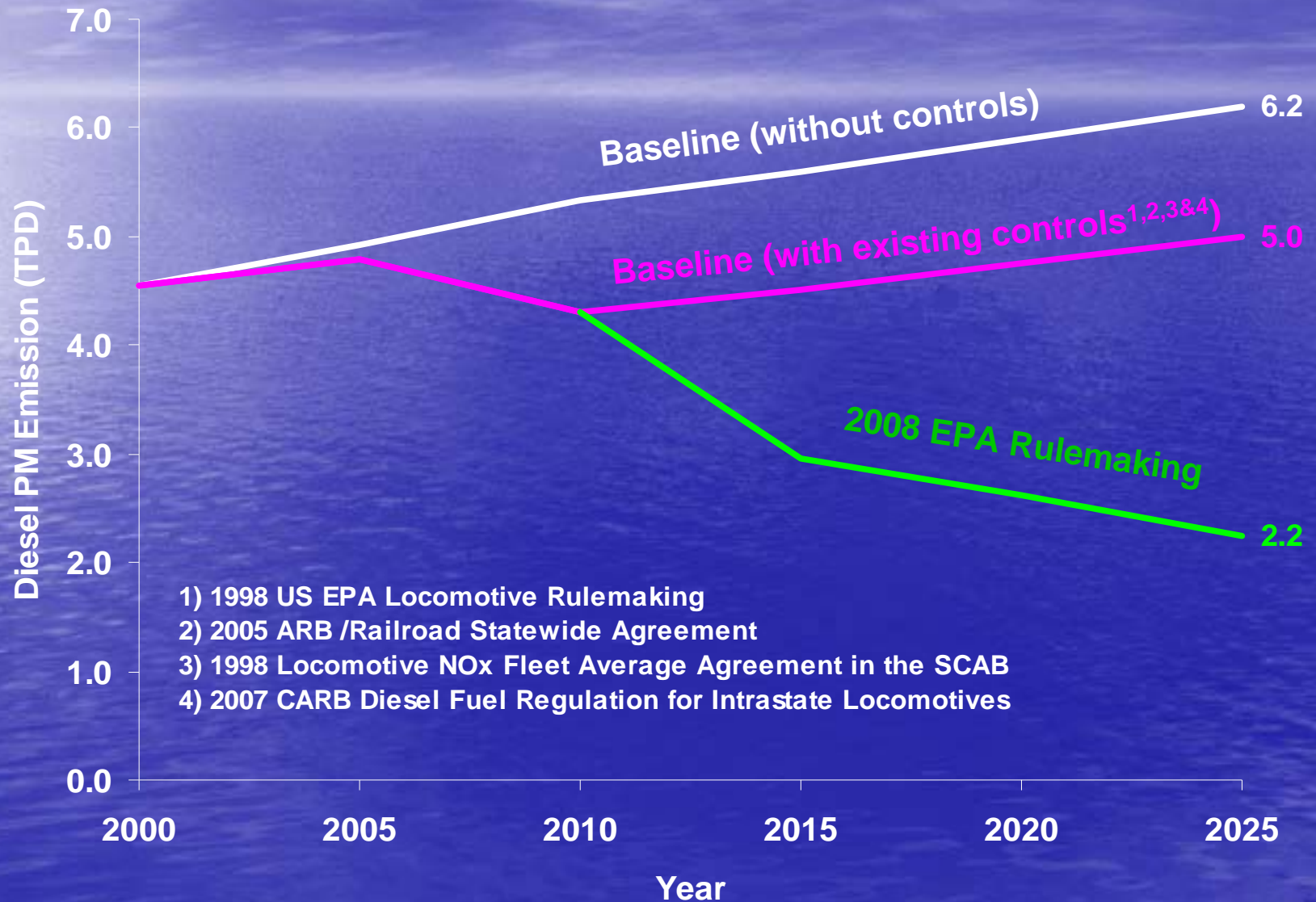
- **Locomotives:**

- Statewide Railroad Agreement (2005)
- ARB Diesel Fuel Regulation of Intrastate Locomotives (2007)
- U.S. EPA Locomotive Emission Standards (2008)
- 1998 South Coast Locomotive NO_x Fleet Average Agreement (2010)

- **Non-Locomotives:**

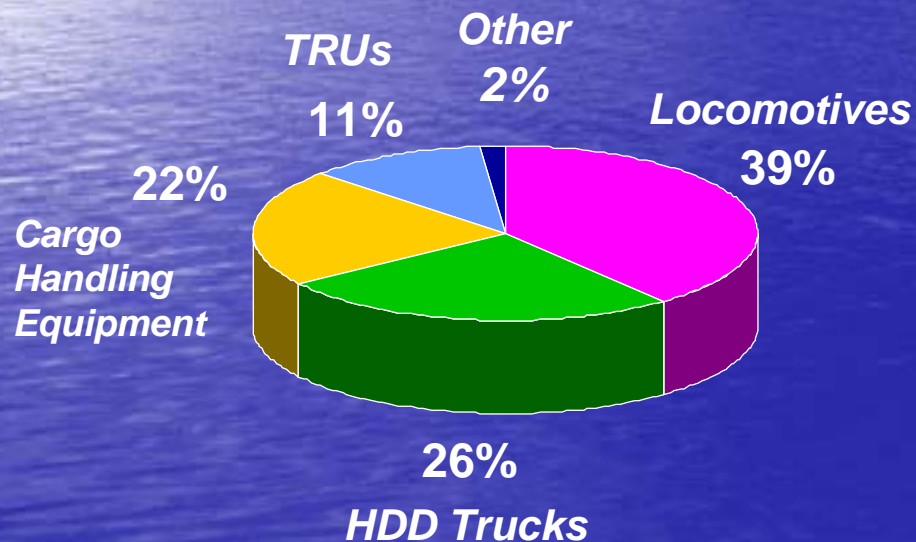
- ARB Cargo Handling Equipment Regulation (2007)
- ARB On-Road Heavy Duty Diesel Truck Regulation (2007)
- ARB Port and Intermodal Railyard Truck Regulation (2010)
- ARB ATCM for Transport Refrigeration (2010)
- ARB Private Truck Fleet Regulation (2010)
- ARB Tier-4 Non-road Diesel-Fueled Emission Standards (2011-15)

Statewide Locomotive DPM Emissions



Distribution of 18 Railyard Diesel PM Emissions by Source Category

8 Intermodal Railyards DPM
Emission Inventory (2005)

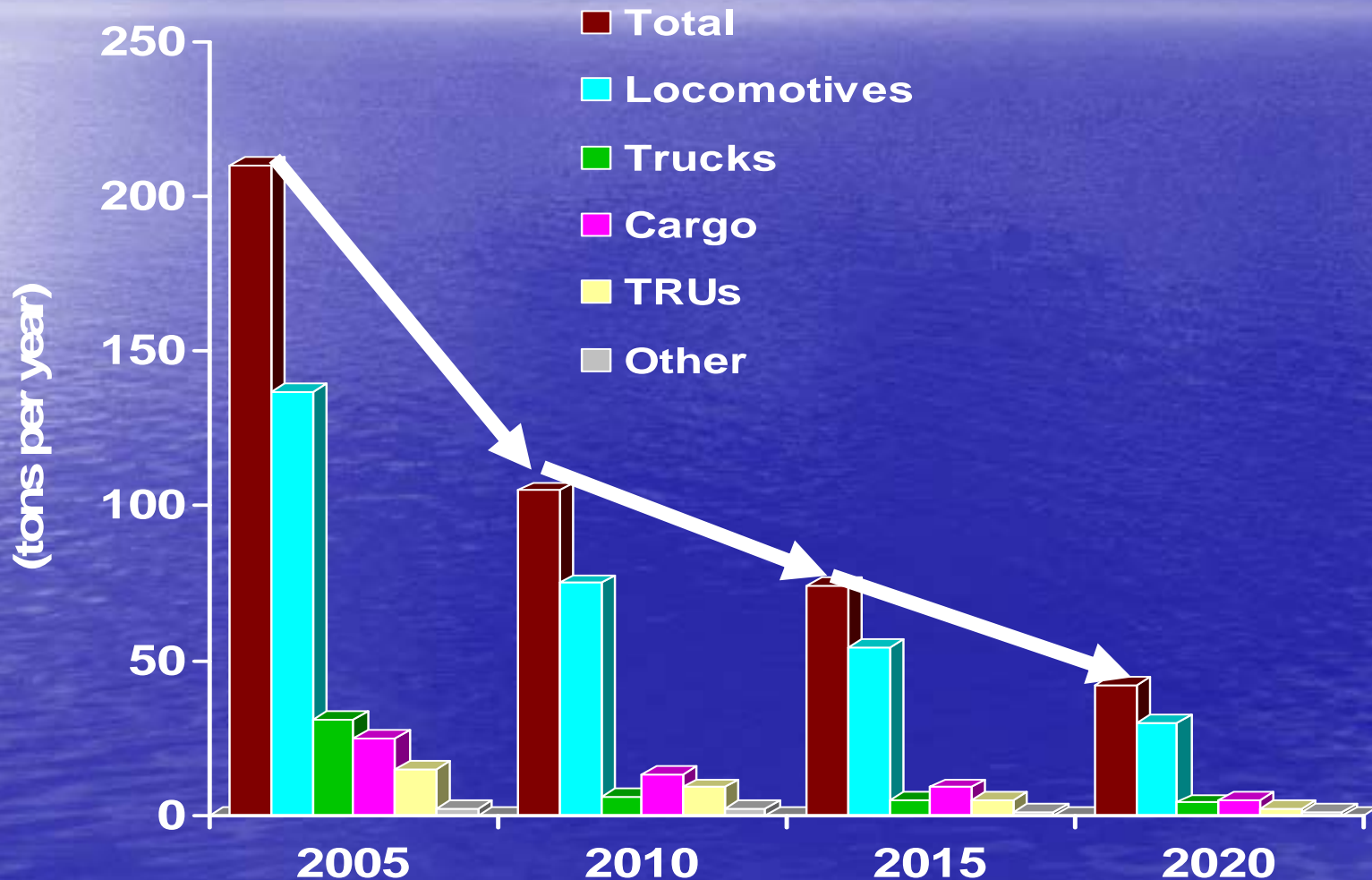


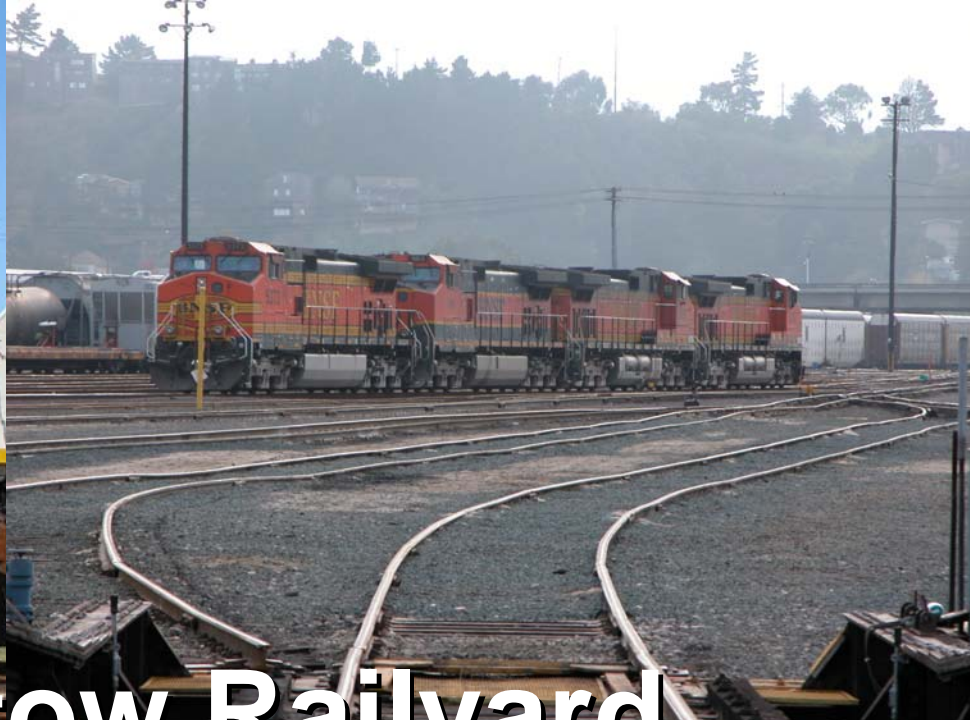
10 Classification Railyards DPM
Emission Inventory (2005)



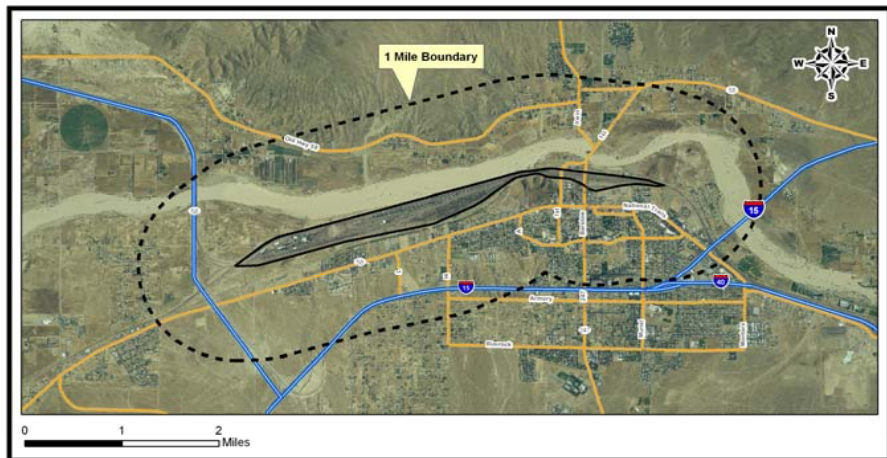
Diesel PM Emissions from 18 Railyards

(Assumes average 80% reduction by 2020)



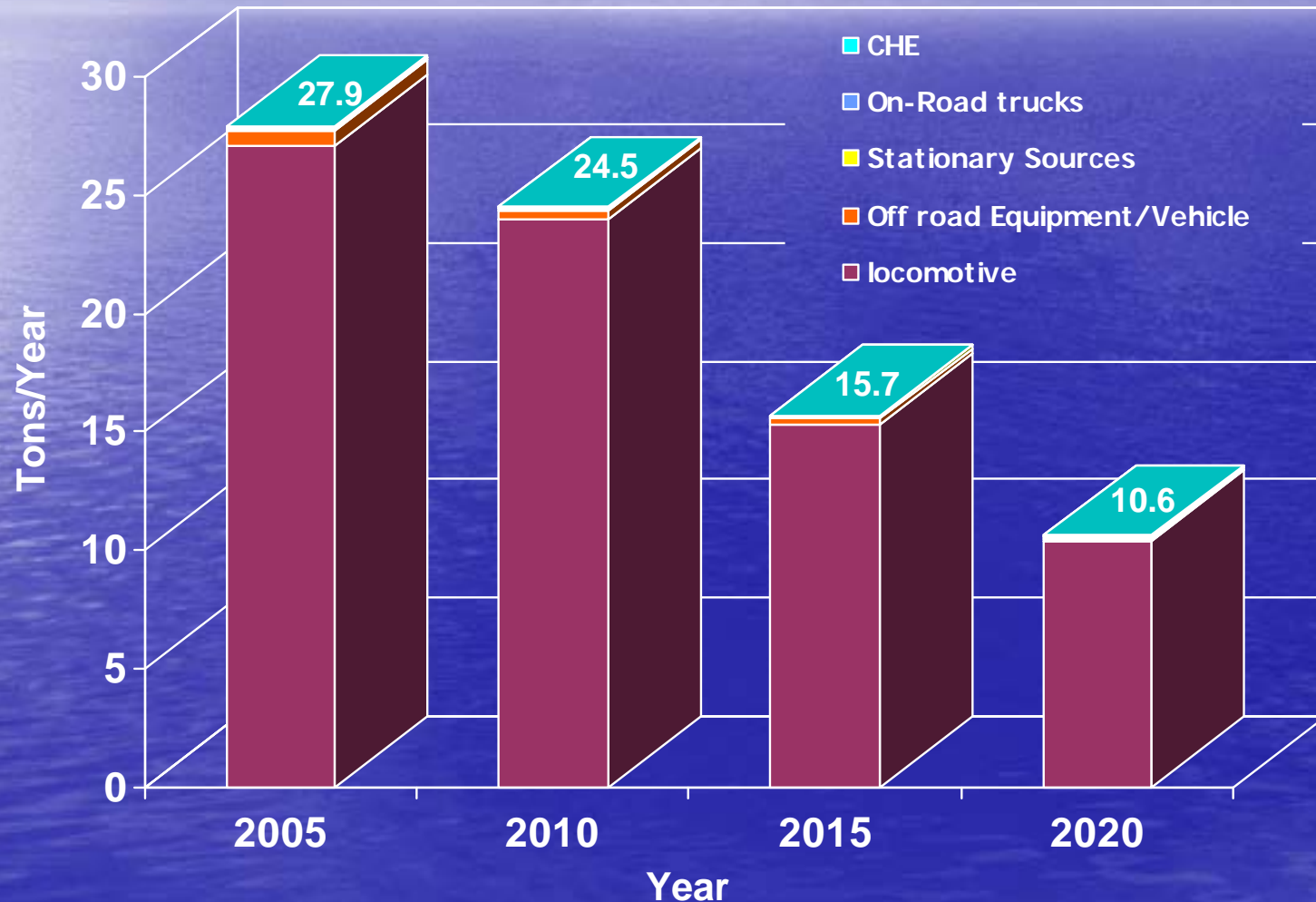


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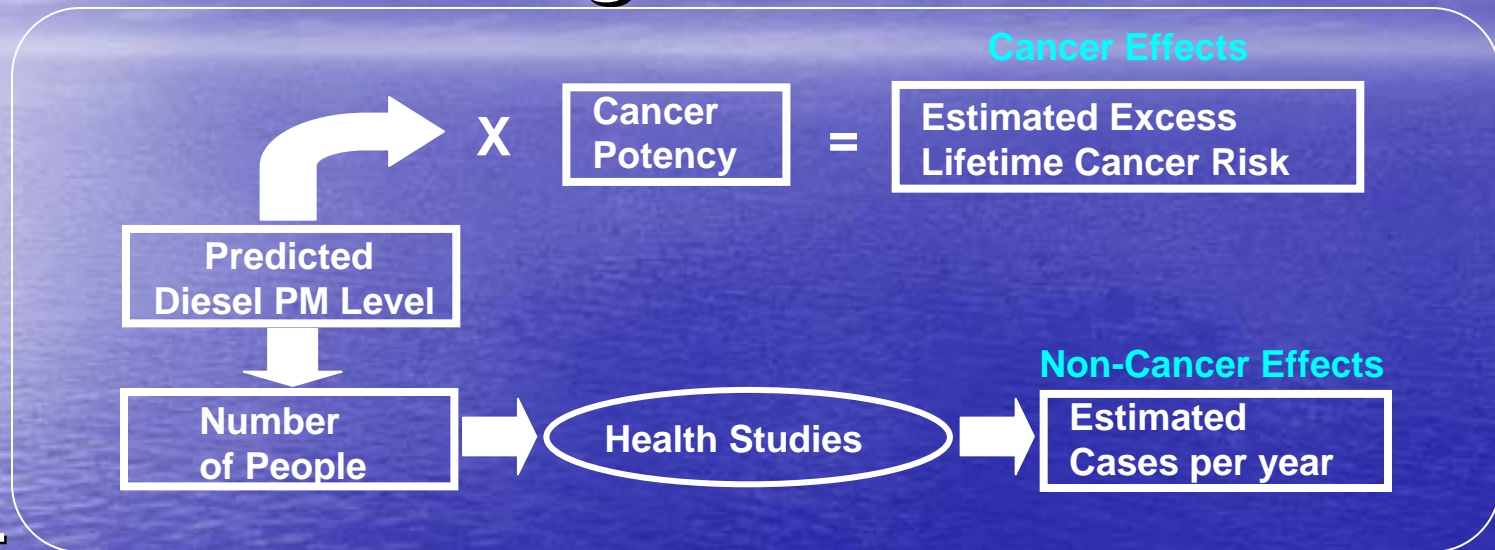


Local and Regional Diesel PM Sources

(Tons per year in 2005)

DPM Sources	Locomotives	Cargo Handling Equip.	On-Road Diesel Trucks	Off-Road Diesel Engines and Others	Total
Mojave Desert Air Basin					1,072
BNSF Barstow Railyard	27.1	0.03	0.04	0.75	27.9
Nearby Roadways			26		26

Health Risk Assessments: Estimating Health Effects



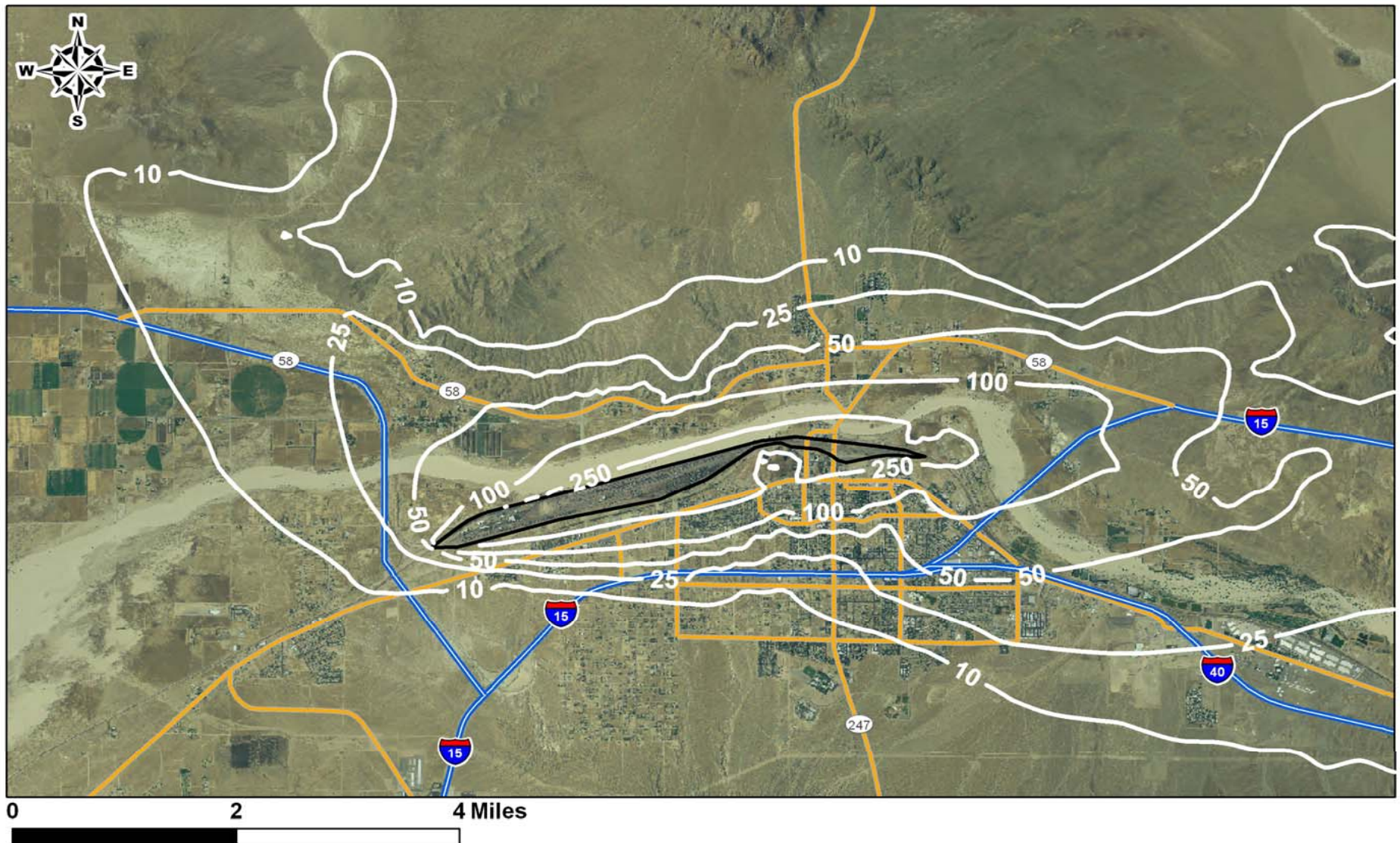
Do:

- Provide an estimate of the amount of a pollutant in the air
- Predict or estimate the lifetime cancer risk and other health impacts – in this case for diesel PM

Don't:

- Actually measure amount of diesel PM in the air
- Gather/use health data on local residents

Estimated Potential Cancer Risk in 2005



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Estimated Changes in DPM Cancer Risks (from existing measures)

- MICR (Maximum Individual Cancer Risk)

450

~ 324 (by 2015)

- Exposed Population (> 10 in a million)

22,000

~ 19,000 (by 2015)

Summary

- The mitigation plan provides significant diesel PM emissions reductions from 2010 to 2015 and later
- Diesel PM public health risks are still high in 2015
- However, still need to accelerate and provide more diesel PM emissions reductions

ARB Technical Evaluation Document

Strategies to Accelerate and Further Reduce Railyard and California Statewide Locomotive Emissions

- Separate and complementary effort
- Evaluate potential strategies based on the following criteria:
 - Technical feasibility
 - Potential emission reductions
 - Costs and cost-effectiveness
 - Not intended to address implementation issues (i.e., legal, regulatory, agreement, funding)
- Request public comments from

December 22, 2008 to February 23, 2009

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